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Serial No.: 09/406,381
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Title: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR SELECTING A MODEM
FOR SERVICE



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Applicant respectfully requests, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, that the references listed on the attached PTO-1449 form be considered and cited in the examination of the above-identified patent application. A copy of these references are enclosed for the convenience of the Examiner. Furthermore, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(g) and (h), no representation is made that these references qualify as prior art or that these references are material to the patentability of the present application.

Applicant therefore respectfully submits that the claims of Applicant's above-referenced patent application are patentably distinguishable from these references.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b), Applicant believes that this Information Disclosure Statement has been filed before the mailing date of the first Office Action in this case. Therefore, Applicant believes that no fee is due. However, if a fee is required, the

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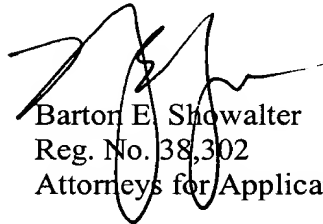
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